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BILLINGS—Marty Ott, State Director for the Bureau of Land Management in Montana and the Dakotas, is retiring October 2.

Ott has been at the Montana post since January of 2003. His career of federal service has spanned more than 36 years, primarily with the National Park Service. Prior to coming to Billings he served as superintendent of Zion National Park in Utah and spent time in both North and South Dakota as district ranger in Theodore Roosevelt National Park and superintendent of Wind Cave National Park. He also held other supervisory positions for the National Park Service in Texas, Washington, New York and Utah, and served a stint as the deputy director of the Utah Department of Natural Resources.

Howard Lemm has been named as the acting State Director until a permanent replacement is selected. Lemm is a native of Twin Bridges, Mont., and normally serves as Montana BLM's Deputy State Director for Resources.

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